COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

August 12, 2014

THE FOLLOWING SEASONS WERE SET:

2014 Non-Indian Mainstem Commercial Research Fishery		
Participants:	Those individuals possessing a 2014 seine permit issued by Washington or Oregon (Emerging Fishery license and Experimental Fishery Permit in WA; Experimental Gear Permit in OR). Permit holder/designated fisher must be present during fishing operations and have applicable permits/licenses in possession.	
Season:	Open hours are 6:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. through Sep 11; and 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. thereafter.	(13.5 hours)
Week 34	Tuesday August 19 and Thursday August 21, 2014	2 periods
Week 35	Tuesday August 26 and Thursday August 28, 2014	2 periods
Week 36	Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday Sep. 2,3,4, 2014	3 periods
Week 37	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday Sep. 8,9,10,11, 2014	4 periods
Week 38	Monday September 15 and Wednesday September 17, 2014	2 periods
Week 39	Monday September 22 and Wednesday September 24, 2014	2 periods
Week 40	Monday September 29, 2014	1 period
Area:	Mainstem Columbia River in Zones 1-2 through August 28; Zones 1-5 th	_
Sanctuaries:	Elochoman-A, Cowlitz, Kalama-A, Lewis A, Sandy, Washougal and Select Area commercial fishing sites.	
Gear:	Beach or purse seine.	
Allowable Sales:	 Mesh size restricted to a 3.5-inch maximum (inside of knot to outside of knot using hand tension stretched measure). Net material to consist of 3-strand nylon; twine size ≥#12. Seines may include a bunt of 1.0-2.0 inch knotless mesh. Net length not to exceed 200 fathoms (including associated lead nets). Net depth not to exceed 200 meshes (approximately 50 feet) Seine and lead lines may not be connected. Lead nets must be retrieved daily. No restrictions on corkline, leadline or use of stringers and slackers. A chafing strip panel consisting of non-monofilament webbing (such as nylon seine web or polyethylene trawl web) is allowed on bottom of net; maximum panel depth is 5-feet. Chafing mesh not to exceed 3.5-inch stretched measure for beach and 5-inch stretched measure for purse. There are no restrictions associated with hangings used to connect the net to the chafing panel or the net or chafing panel to the leadline or corkline. Red corks are required at 25-fathom intervals and red corks must be in contrast to the corks used in the remainder of the net. 	
Allowable Sales:	Adipose or left ventral fin-clipped Chinook, adipose-clipped coho, pink and sockeye salmon. Subject to IFQs as defined on individual permits and fishery regulations, all legally-caught salmon must be landed.	
Handling/ Sorting	Hand sorting or use of a knotless dip net is required for sorting. All fish must be sorted and/or released prior to removing entire seine from water. Dry sorting not permitted.	
Sort time	Not to exceed 75 minutes. Beach seine - defined as the elapsed time from when the outer towed end of the net first contacts the shore or block until the net is emptied of fish. Purse Seine - defined as the elapsed time from when all rings are pursed and out of the water until the net is emptied of fish.	
Observer Program	Mandatory	
Quick-Report:	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240.	

• A hearing is scheduled for 10 AM Tuesday August 26 via teleconference to consider non-Indian commercial fisheries and review ongoing recreational fisheries.